

## Message Text

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ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SS-15 PM-04 CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00

DODE-00 A-01 AID-05 PER-01 /044 W

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R 281105Z SEP 75

FM AMEMBASSY AMMAN

TO USIA WASHDC

SECSTATE WASHDC 5776

INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

AMEMBASSY CAIRO

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

AMEMBASSY TUNIS

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: APER, LE

SUBJECTJ

USIA PERSONNEL IN BEIRUT

REF: USIA 23553

1. WHILE WE APPRECIATE AND FULLY SYMPATHIZE WITH DIFFICULTIES  
USIS IS EXPERIENCING IN BEIRUT, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT  
TRANSFER OF USIS BEIRUT REGIONAL FUNCTIONS TO AMMAN IS  
ADVISABLE.

2. IN PROGRAM TERMS WE QUESTION WHETHER AMMAN WOULD HAVE  
SUFFICIENT CULTURAL OR INFORMATION ASSETS AS A CENTER FOR  
REGIONAL ACTIVITIES TO COMPETE SERIOUSLY WITH OTHER  
ALTERNATIVE SITES.

3. EQUALLY OR MORE IMPORTANT FROM OUR VIEWPOINT AS A  
MISSION, WE ARE ADMINISTRATIVELY BURSTING AT THE SEAMS  
NOWADAYS TO ACCOMMODATE PRESENT EXPANSION PROBLEMS:  
ABSORBING A 19-MAN REGIONAL FBIS OPERATION; BUILDING  
AND PROGRAMMING A NEW USIS CENTER, PLANNING AND STAFFING

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FOR GROWING ECONOMIC AND MILITARY AID PROGRAMS AS WELL AS

FOR THE LARGE EXPANSION OF USG ACTIVITIES RELATED TO MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR U.S. SUPPORT FOR JORDANIAN AIR DEFENSE. I AM EXTREMELY RELUCTANT TO ADD PERSONNEL NOT DIRECTLY CONNECTED WITH PROGRAMS OF BENEFIT TO JORDAN.

4. IN VIEW OF ABOVE, WE HOPE USIA WILL UNDERSTAND OUR UNWILLINGNESS TO INCREASE OFFICIAL AMERICAN PRESENCE HERE BEYOND THE DEMANDS OF OUR GROWING BILATERAL PROGRAMS. PICKERING

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